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Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
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Sir:

This is a reply to the Office Action dated October 10, 2002. This Reply is limited to a Request for Reconsideration.

REMARKS

Claims 1-14 are pending.

Claims 1 and 2 are independent claims.

DRAWINGS

The indication that the formal drawing of Fig. 5 filed on October 2, 2002, has been approved for entry is noted.

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